(c) and (d) No such date of allotments made on recommendations of the VIPs are maintained.

(e) and (f) Yes, Sir. From time to time, the administrative ministeries of the persons concerned are informed of the out of turn allotments sought by the officials by bringing outside influence.

(g) It may not be possible to stop out of turn allotments as the same is required due to exigencies of service and the indigent circumstances of the employees concerned. However, to restrict the number of out of turn allotments, endeavours are being made to restrict the ratio of out of turn allotment to in turn allotment to 1 : 4.

INTERMEDIATE TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

3470. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) how many towns in Andhra Pradesh have been selected for Intermediate Town Development Programme for 1994-95;

(b) how much money is proposed to be spent on such selected towns in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) what funds have been spent on the Intermediate Town Development Programme so far in the Eighth Plan in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the details of new proposals and programmes which are being implemented in Andhra Pradesh with the assistance of the Ministry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Government of Andhra Pradesh have submitted a list of 33 identified towns in order of priority for inclusion under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) during the Eighth Plan period. The exact number of towns of Andhra Pradesh State which will be covered under IDSMT during the year 1994-95 cannot be determined at this stage. The tentative number of towns allocated to the State of Andhra Pradesh for inclusion under IDSMT during the 8th Plan period is 17 towns. So far during the 8th Plan period, project reports of 13 towns of Andhra Pradesh have been approved, thus leaving a tentative number of 4 towns to be covered during the remaining period of the 8th Plan. The inclusion of particular towns under IDSMT in any financial year will depend upon :—

(a) priority assigned to the towns by the State Government; (b) Submission of project reports adhering to IDSMT guidelines; and (c) availability of funds. The quantum of Central assistance for each selected town will depend upon the population category of the town and the exact project proposals of each town.

So far during the 8th plan Central Assistance of Rs. 237 lakhs has been released to the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh which includes Rs. 180 lakhs for eight new towns and Rs. 57 lakhs for on-going Schemes in four towns.

(d) A new Centrally sponsored scheme for Infrastructure Development of Mega Cities has been introduced by the Planning Commission and Hyderabad urban agglomeration is one of the beneficiary cities. The Project proposal submitted by Government of Andhra Pradesh, in respect of Hyderabad city at an estimated cost of Rs. 913 crores is is under process for necessary clearances.